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REMARKS

Claims 1-16 and 19-27 are pending in the present application. Claims 8-11 stand

allowed, and claims 1-7, 12-16, and 19-27 stand rejected. The specification is objected to by the

Examiner. Applicants herein respond to each and every rejection and objection.

Applicants herein present amendment to cancel claims 1-7 and 16-27 without prejudice.

Applicants further present amendment to claim 12 to correct a typographical error, specifically to

correctly spell "parallel." Applicants further present amendments to the specification to correct

the typographical errors identified by the Examiner.

With respect to the Specification, Applicants respectfully request further detail from the

Examiner as to the objection to paragraph [0014] as such paragraph number is not part of the

originally filed specification. Applicants further assume the objection to paragraph [0155] is

meant to be paragraph [1151]. Applicants also request clarification as to the objection to

paragraph [0100] as such paragraph number is not part of the originally filed specification.

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REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that all pending claims in the application are patentable. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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